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For:

Method of Securely Passing A Value

Token Between Web Sites

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the final Office action dated April 24, 2002, please amend the above referenced application as indicated herein and refer to the supporting argument.

Please cancel claims 1-21, 24 and 25.

Please add new claims 27-48.

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GROUP :

Clean copy of claims as currently presented:

27. An electronic commerce system comprising:

a club manager web site to create a club, the club manager web site including a registration component to register users as club members, and a